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(As Amended)

"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF ELECTRONIC DEFENSE WEAPONS."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 26-73 of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

5 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, Sunday shall
6 be a closed season except for the purpose of trapping under the
7 provisions of this chapter. The possession in the open air on Sunday of
8 any implement for hunting shall be prima facie evidence of hunting in
9 violation of the provisions of this section. No provision of this section
10 shall be construed so as to affect any provision of section 26-31, 26-48,
11 26-52 or 27-35 or apply to the use of bow and arrow for purposes other

12 than hunting. Artificially propagated birds designated by the
13 commissioner may be shot on Sundays on licensed private shooting
14 preserves subject to such regulations of the commissioner as may
15 apply to such private shooting preserves, provided permission so to
16 shoot has been obtained from the town or towns within which such
17 licensed private shooting preserves are located.

18 (b) The commissioner may allow Sunday hunting with a firearm, as
19 defined in section 53a-3, on private property in areas designated by the
20 commissioner to require additional management to control game
21 species overpopulation. A person hunting on private property
22 pursuant to this subsection shall obtain the written consent of the
23 owner of such private property or from such owner's authorized agent.
24 Such written consent shall be carried by such person while hunting
25 pursuant to this subsection.

26 Sec. 502. Section 26-86a of the general statutes is repealed and the
27 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

28 (a) The commissioner shall establish by regulation adopted in
29 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 standards for deer
30 management, and methods, regulated areas, bag limits, seasons and
31 permit eligibility for hunting deer with bow and arrow, muzzleloader
32 and shotgun. [, except that no] No such hunting shall be permitted on
33 Sunday, except as provided in section 26-73, as amended by this act.
34 No person shall hunt, pursue, wound or kill deer with a firearm
35 without first obtaining a deer permit from the commissioner in
36 addition to the license required by section 26-27, as amended.
37 Application for such permit shall be made on forms furnished by the
38 commissioner and containing such information as he may require.
39 Such permit shall be of a design prescribed by the commissioner, shall
40 contain such information and conditions as the commissioner may
41 require, and may be revoked for violation of any provision of this
42 chapter or regulations adopted pursuant thereto. As used in this
43 section, "muzzleloader" means a rifle or shotgun of at least forty-five
44 caliber, incapable of firing a self-contained cartridge, which uses

45 powder, a projectile, including, but not limited to, a standard round
46 ball, mini-balls, maxi-balls and Sabot bullets, and wadding loaded
47 separately at the muzzle end and "rifle" means a long gun the projectile
48 of which is six millimeters or larger in diameter. The fee for a firearms
49 permit shall be fourteen dollars for residents of the state and fifty
50 dollars for nonresidents, except that any nonresident who is an active
51 full-time member of the armed forces, as defined in section 27-103,
52 may purchase a firearms permit for the same fee as is charged a
53 resident of the state. The commissioner shall issue, without fee, a
54 private land deer permit to the owner of ten or more acres of private
55 land and the husband or wife, parent, grandparent, sibling and any
56 lineal descendant of such owner, provided no such owner, husband or
57 wife, parent, grandparent, sibling or lineal descendant shall be issued
58 more than one such permit per season. Such permit shall allow the use
59 of a rifle, shotgun, muzzleloader or bow and arrow on such land from
60 November first to December thirty-first, inclusive. Deer may be so
61 hunted at such times and in such areas of such state-owned land as are
62 designated by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection and on
63 privately owned land with the signed consent of the landowner, on
64 forms furnished by the department, and such signed consent shall be
65 carried by any person when so hunting on private land. The owner of
66 ten acres or more of private land may allow the use of a rifle to hunt
67 deer on such land during the shotgun season. The commissioner shall
68 determine, by regulation, the number of consent forms issued for any
69 regulated area established by said commissioner. The commissioner
70 shall provide for a fair and equitable random method for the selection
71 of successful applicants who may obtain shotgun and muzzleloader
72 permits for hunting deer on state lands. Any person whose name
73 appears on more than one application for a shotgun permit or more
74 than one application for a muzzleloader permit shall be disqualified
75 from the selection process for such permit. No person shall hunt,
76 pursue, wound or kill deer with a bow and arrow without first
77 obtaining a bow and arrow permit pursuant to section 26-86c. "Bow
78 and arrow" as used in this section and in section 26-86c means a bow
79 with a draw weight of not less than forty pounds. The arrowhead shall

80 have two or more blades and may not be less than seven-eighths of an
81 inch at the widest point. No person shall carry firearms of any kind
82 while hunting with a bow and arrow under said sections.

83 (b) Any person who takes a deer without a permit shall be fined not
84 less than two hundred dollars or more than five hundred dollars or
85 imprisoned not less than thirty days or more than six months or shall
86 be both fined and imprisoned, for the first offense, and for each
87 subsequent offense shall be fined not less than two hundred dollars or
88 more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than one year
89 or shall be both fined and imprisoned."